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## Senate

The 3d day of January being the day prescribed by the Constitution of the United States for the annual meeting of the Congress, the 2d session of the 110th Congress commenced this day at 12:04 and 26 seconds p.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Presiding Officer [Ms. LANDRIEU], a Senator from the State of Louisiana.

### APPOINTMENT OF THE ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore [Mr. BYRD].

The assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, January 3, 2008.

*To the Senate:*

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARY LANDRIEU, a Senator from the State of Louisiana, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
*President pro tempore.*

Ms. LANDRIEU thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

### CONVENING OF THE 2D SESSION OF THE 110TH CONGRESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Pursuant to the Constitution, the

hour of 12 noon, January 3, having arrived, the Senate convenes in the 2d session of the 110th Congress.

RECESS UNTIL MONDAY, JANUARY  
7, 2008, AT 9 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in recess until Monday, January 7, 2008, at 9 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12:05 and 12 seconds p.m., recessed until Monday, January 7, 2008, at 9 a.m.

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